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Customer No. 000027683

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Mire, Philip J.

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For: PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE
UTILIZING MASTER KEY
ENCRYPTION (AS AMENDED)

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Examiner: Moorthy, Aravind K.

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The title of the invention has been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Drawing objections have been noted and the corrected drawings will be filed prior to payment of the issue fee. Claims 1, 7-10, 12, 18-21, 23 and 26-29 are amended and claims 2, 3, 6, 13, 14, 17, 24 and 25 are cancelled. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7-12, 15, 16, 18-23 and 26-29 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.